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SUBJECT: MRS. CARTER'S VISIT: ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE
STATEMENTS

REF: STATE 104923

1. FOLLOWING ARE SUGGESTED ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE
STATEMENTS AS REQUESTED IN REFTEL. SUGGESTED TOASTS
BEING FORWARDED BY SEPTTEL.

2. ARRIVAL STATEMENT: QUOTE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
THIS WONDERFUL WELCOME. I HAVE LONG LOOKED FORWARD TO
VISITING VENEZUELA, A COUNTRY THAT SHARES WITH THE UNITED
STATES THE IDEALS OF DEMOCRACY, FREEDOM, HUMAN DIGNITY
AND EQUALITY UNDER LAW.

3. AS YOU KNOW, PRESIDENT CARTER HAS OFTEN STATED THAT HE
WOULD WELCOME ANY OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN THE TIES OF
FRIENDSHIP AND DEVELOP CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH THE NATIONS
AND THE PEOPLES OF THE CARIBBEAN AND LATIN AMERICA. I AM
PLEASED TO BE HERE TO REPRESENT HIM AND THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE FOR THAT PURPOSE.

4. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS
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WITH YOUR ESTEEMED PRESIDENT, CARLOS ANDREZ PEREZ, AND
WITH OTHER DISTINGUISHED LEADERS, BOTH WITHIN AND
OUTSIDE THE GOVERNMENT.

5. I LOOK FORWARD TO EXPLORING WAYS OF BROADENING A
RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN OUR HEMISPHERE AS WELL AS
MEANS FOR CLOSING THE ECONOMIC GAP BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIALIZED

AND DEVELOPING NATIONS.

6. ONCE AGAIN, MUCHISIMAS GRACIAS POR SU AMABLE RECEPCION.
LA SENORA DE VANCE Y YO ESTAMOS HONRADAS DE ESTER AQUI
CON USTEDES EN SU LINDO PAIS UNQUOTE.

7. DEPARTURE STATEMENT: QUOTE I WISH TO EXPRESS MY
DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE EXTREMELY WARM AND CORDIAL
RECEPTION GIVEN TO ME AND MRS. VANCE DURING OUR VISIT
TO VENEZUELA. PRESIDENT PEREZ, MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET AND
THE PEOPLE OF THIS GREAT DEMOCRACY HAVE MADE OUR STAY
HERE BOTH VALUABLE AND MEMORABLE.

8. I AM ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL FOR THE OPEN AND FRUITFUL
DISCUSSIONS WE HAVE HAD. WE LOOK FORWARD WITH MUCH
PLEASURE TO THE VISIT OF PRESIDENT PEREZ TO THE UNITED
STATES IN 2-1/2 WEEKS TIME AND TO THE OPPORTUNITY TO
CONTINUE THE IMPORTANT DIALOGUE BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

9. WHILE WE HAVE ALWAYS MAINTAINED CLOSE RELATIONS
THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORY AS NATIONS, WE HOPE THAT
THROUGH THESE PERSONAL CONTACTS AND EXCHANGES OF
IDEAS, WE MAY DRAW EVEN CLOSER TOGETHER IN THE YEARS
AHEAD. UNQUOTE.
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